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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Admiral Turner:

The Board of Directors of the Casco Bay Council of the Navy League respectfully requests your consideration towards being our guest speaker at the November or December 1977 meeting.

The Council membership of over 200 to the greater degree is comprised of very successful business and community leaders. The Casco Bay Council of the Navy League is considered to be very active, unified and of course a very strong proponent of the United-States Navy and the Merchant Marine. I readily realize that your current assignment does not lend itself directly to the sea services, however, your past experiences and other present day maritime matters should be worthy of note.

Admiral Turner, based on the impression I made upon youour paths had crossed while you were CRUDESFLOT 2 in the USS INDEPENDENCE and I was the Assistant Supply Officer. As you may recall, the Underway Replenishment Exercise was quite an evolution. In those days you must have arisen quite early and spent some time on the Hangar Deck; chatting with various individuals. Most of us were impressed by your interest.

Incidentally, I spent the 4th of July with an old friend of yours, Rear Admiral Dick Hedges, who is currently COMPATWINGSLANT. I indicated to Dick I was going to invite you to one of our meetings and he asked to send along his regards. Incidentally, the Navy has a very unique person in Dick Hedges in that all of the attributes required for our Naval leaders are prevalent and exercised. He projects himself as both an extraordinary military professional and a diplomat.

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It is noted I received an invitation to hear Mr. E. Henry Knocke your Deputy Director speak to the Retired Officers Association on 25 June 1977 at the Plattsburgh Air Force Base. Due to a previous engagement I was not able to attend that function.

For background purposes, recent guests at our functions have been Admiral Holloway; Governor Longley; Admiral Shear; Admiral Siler, Commandant of the Coast Guard; Admiral Bryan, Commander of the Naval Sea Systems Command and Lieutenant Judith Ann Neuffer, USN - the second female in the Navy to gain her wings.

In closing, it is requested maximum consideration be given towards being our guest. We generally meet on Thursday's, however any day of the week convenient to yourself will be perfectly acceptable. Our functions are generally held at the Naval Air Station, Brunswick.

An early reply will be appreciated

Very respectfully

Vincent Lanza President of the Casco Bay Council of the Navy League